

Meeting Notice and Agenda

The next Escrow Law Advisory Committee meeting will be on Tuesday September 23, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Department of Corporations' Los Angeles office located at 320 West Fourth Street, 7th floor Conference Room. Please contact Special Administrator Kathleen Partin in the Los Angeles office at (213) 576-7595 if you have any questions.

Meeting Agenda:

1. Opening Remarks
2. Follow-up Items From Previous Meetings
 - Status of Rule allowing escrow companies to handle Franchise Deposits. (PJ Garcia)
 - Update and further discussion regarding the MBA proposed Uniform Closing Instruction and DOC letter regarding RESPA Reform to HUD (PJ Garcia)
 - Clarification regarding DOC position regarding original signatures vs. electronic signatures vs. fax Signatures (J. Behm)
3. Review of California Code of Regulations for economic impact (K. Partin)
4. Negotiation of escrow fees (G. Engelstad)
5. Deceptive and misleading use of "Escrow" in the names used by Real Estate Brokers (M. Monroe)
6. DOC Website (PJ Garcia)
7. Possibility for a working group to discuss the License Fee Authorization Bill for 2009 (PJ Garcia)
8. Status of Escrow Bulletin (PJ Garcia)
9. Enforcement Action Update (K. Partin)
10. Statistics regarding companies that have surrendered or were closed down by action (K. Partin)
11. Next Meeting, Tentative Date: December 9, 2008

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